The Lions' Pride

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Career Planning Services Unveils LionsLINK

By Shawnee Arnett
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The University's Career Planning Services has recently unveiled LionsLINK, a comprehensive service to assist students and alumni of the University in finding jobs or internships.

LionsLINK is not a standard , run of the mill job listing site. It is a site with an interactive tool that can connect the user with a full time job, part time job, or internship of his or her choice from anywhere across the country. There is also a resume builder that can be specialized for a variety of careers anywhere from Web Design to Biochemistry to Creative Writing. The site has the capacity to store a large number of documents, so it can be used similar to a

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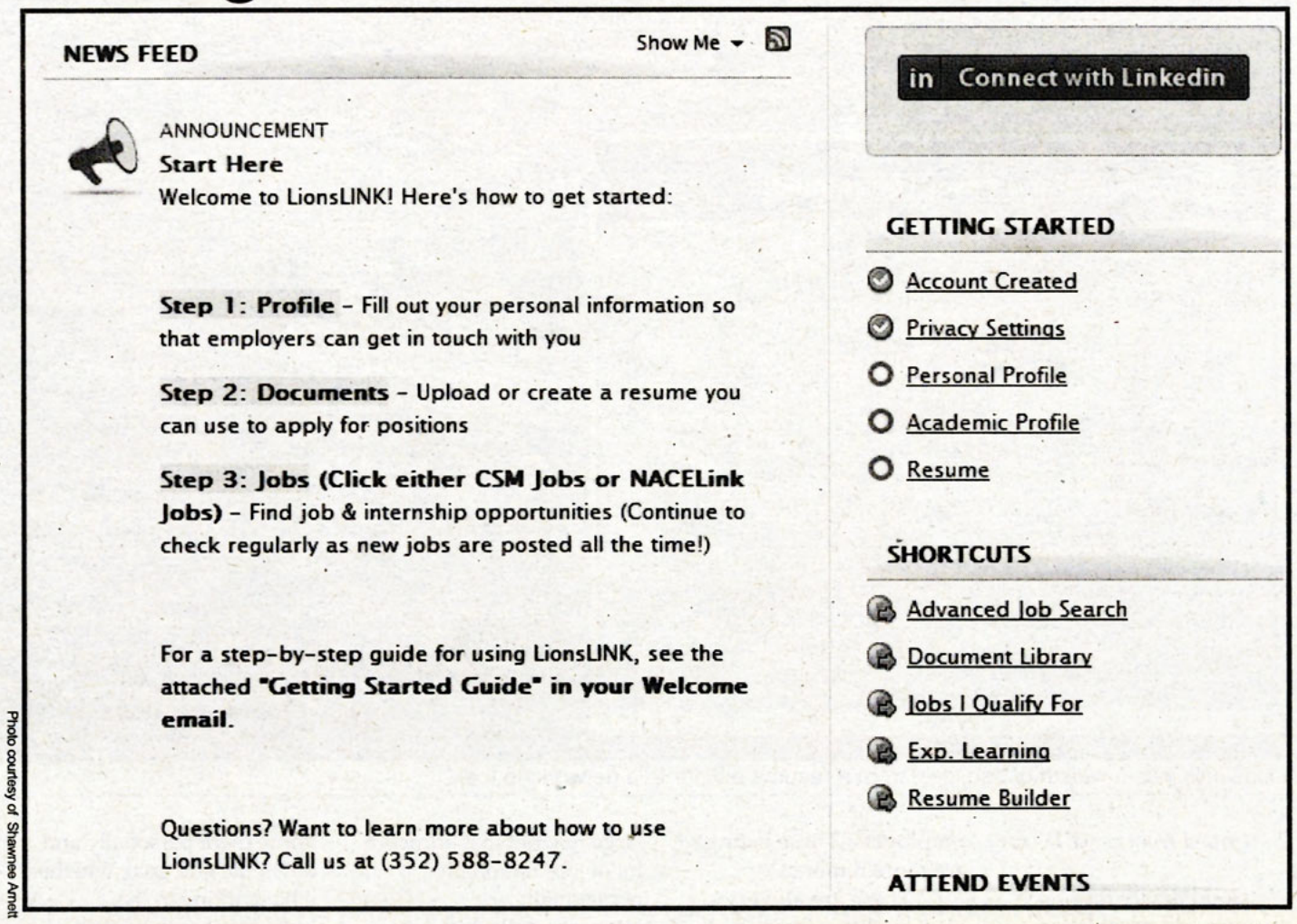

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New Online Housing System to Take Place This Semester

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The new online housing selection system at the University offers a new way for students to navigate their choice of housing for the upcoming Fall Semester in 2014. This new online system makes it easier for students to specifically select which room and apartment they want to live in.

All students will be given log-in information through their Saint Leo email account to access the system at the new website (https://slu-residence.symplicity.com) starting on Feb. 18, 2014.

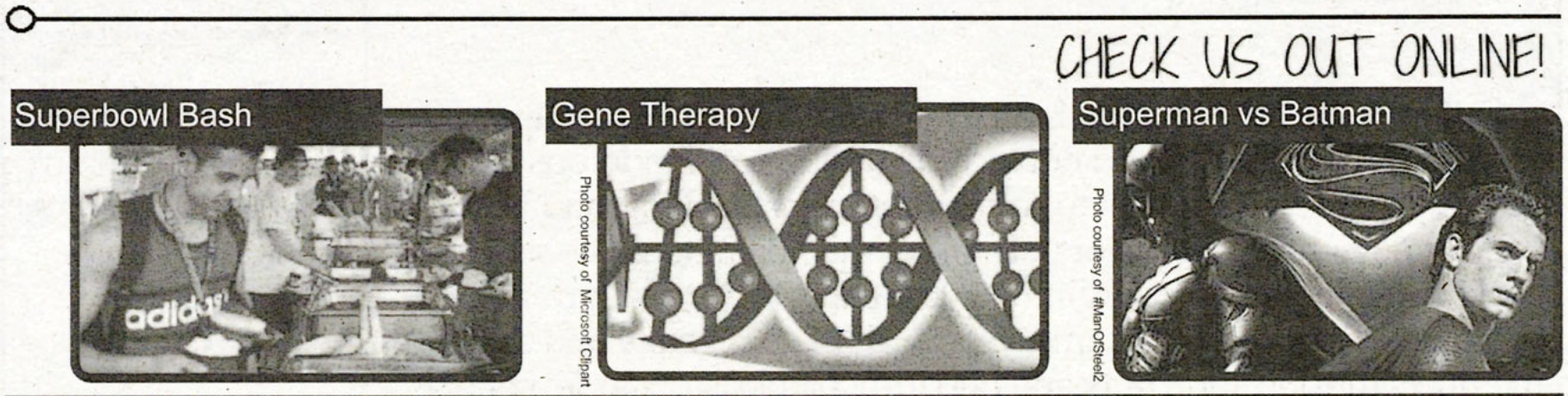
For students who have already chosen their potential group of roommates, the group needs to select one person to act as the group leader. After selecting the leader, all of the group members have to go on to the website and officially request to be roommates by giving each member his or her personal passcode (which is given to the student once they sign in). The swapping of passcodes gives the group leader consent to sign them up as roommates.

There will be different times for students to sign up for a room. The first time available date to sign up is called early bird housing which starts on Feb. 18 and the deadline for early applications is due on March 5. Instructions, dates, and deadlines about the process will be emailed to all students. A few of the requirements students need to be accepted for early bird housing are a zero balance or a signed document from financial services saying that the student is either current with their financial plan or awaiting financial aid that will cover his or her balance.

If a student does not make the March 5 deadline or cannot waive his or her balance, he or she will have to apply for general housing. The deadline for general housing is on March 7.

As the first online selection process approaches, there will be more information and detailed tutorials on how to use the system at Residence Life.

Residence Life also offers Living Learning Communities (LLC) which gives students an opportunity to live with a group of other students who share similar goals and interests. It is strongly encouraged for students join a LLC at the University because it promises one the best ways for students to develop strong friendships and be successful in college. There will be three communities: The Active Living Learning Community, The QEP/ Service Learning Community, and the Prayer and Mindfulness Living Learning Community. Applications for the LLCs are available on the Housing Selection website or in the Office of Residence Life. For any further questions and more information, contact Residence life at 352-588-8268 or at residence.life@saintleo.edu.



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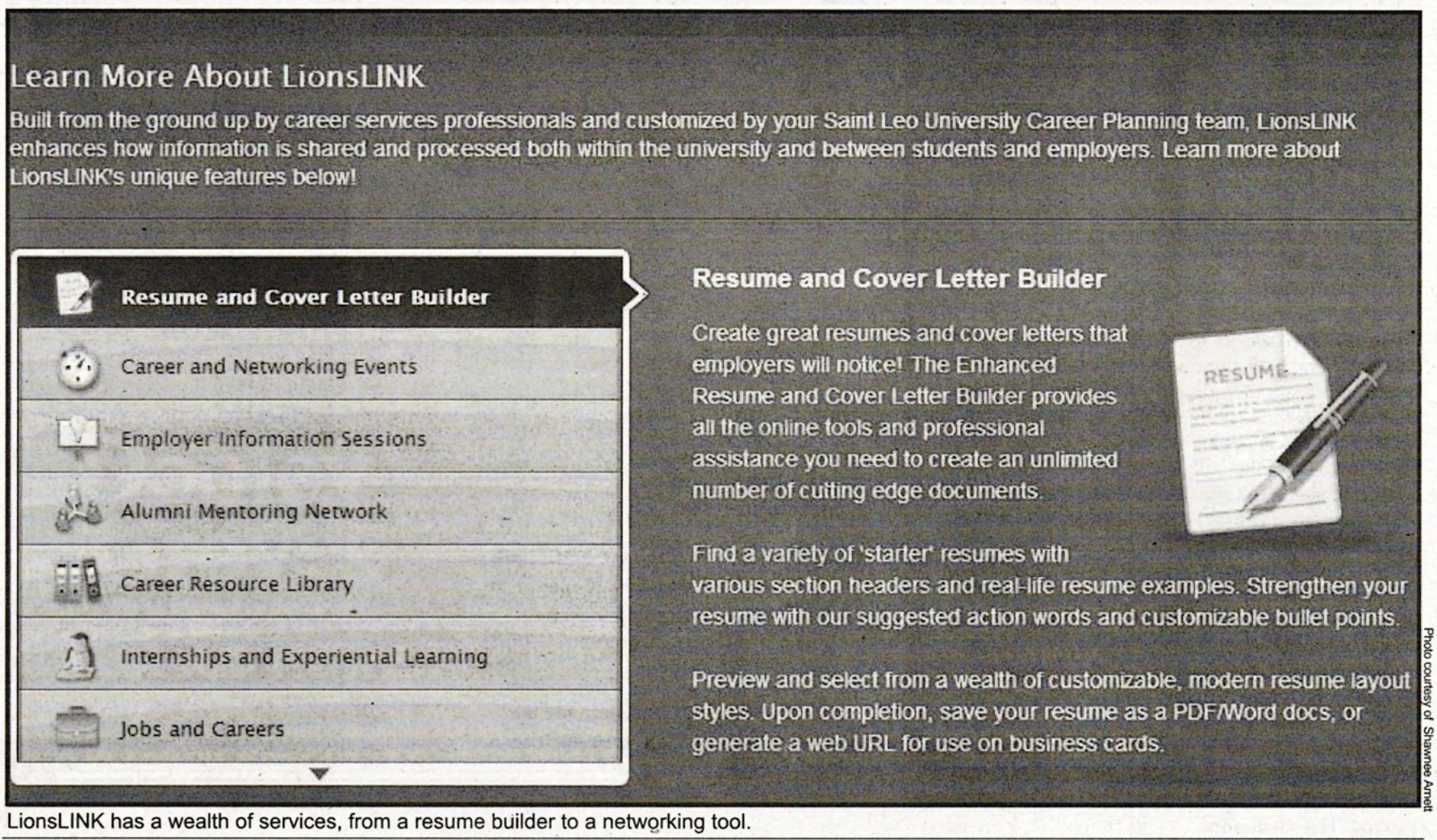

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LionsLINK has a wealth of services, from a resume builder to a networking tool.

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cloud device for resumes and cover letters.

There are two different databases of jobs and internships offered by LionsLINK. One database is specialized and tailored to Saint Leo students. These listings are more local.

"They are mostly jobs and internships that are close to this area, and they're with employ ers that we have a relationship with," said Tiffany Nelson, Assistant Director of Career Planning.

The second database has jobs that are checked by the National Association of Colleges and Employers. These listings are more national.

"These are all very high quality, screened jobs," said Nelson.

It is also noteworthy that the resumes sent to employers via LionsLINK are sent directly to a hiring manager and not a web bank.

Robert Liddell, Director of Career Services, stresses that the importance of LionsLINK is not just in finding a generic job for a student. LionsLINK is tailor-made and equipped to assist the user in finding the best possible job option, whether it is a full time career, post-graduation job, or a summer internship between school years.

"Effectively, it is a very large magnet that attracts a lot of jobs nationally, occasionally internationally, but primarily national jobs. Within it, we have the opportunity to develop relationships with potential employers," said Liddell.

The service is not only equipped with a variety of tools ranging from resume storage to networking opportunities, but also comes with the support of the University's Career Planning team. A student has the ability to obtain support in finding out what he or she wants out of a career through assessment of personal values and interests.

"We like to come along side our students, get to know them personally and devise an end goal, whether it be working in the industry or going into a very competitive graduate program, and then working backwards to come up with the long term goals and the short term goals and the stretch goals that kind of frame it out," Liddell.

Liddell suggests that students seek out the assistance of career services as early as freshman y ear. For graduating seniors, it is not too late to receive assistance from the Career Services department. However, a longer period of time allows Career Services to work with the student as he or she develops a stronger sense of self.

In terms of ease, signing up for the LionsLINK website could not be simpler. Career Services sent out around 45,000 emails to students and alumni across the globe with information on their new LionsLINK accounts. Signing up is as simple as opening the email, following the link to the site, and setting up a new password. From there, the user has the ability to take advantage of all of LionsLINK's services.

Matthew Battista, Assistant Director of Career Services, asserts that it is easier than setting up a social networking account such as Facebook or Twitter. For more information on LionsLINK, contact Career Services at (352)-588-8346.

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Technology

Cleaner Drive into the Future for Everyday Vehicles

By Thomas Buckley
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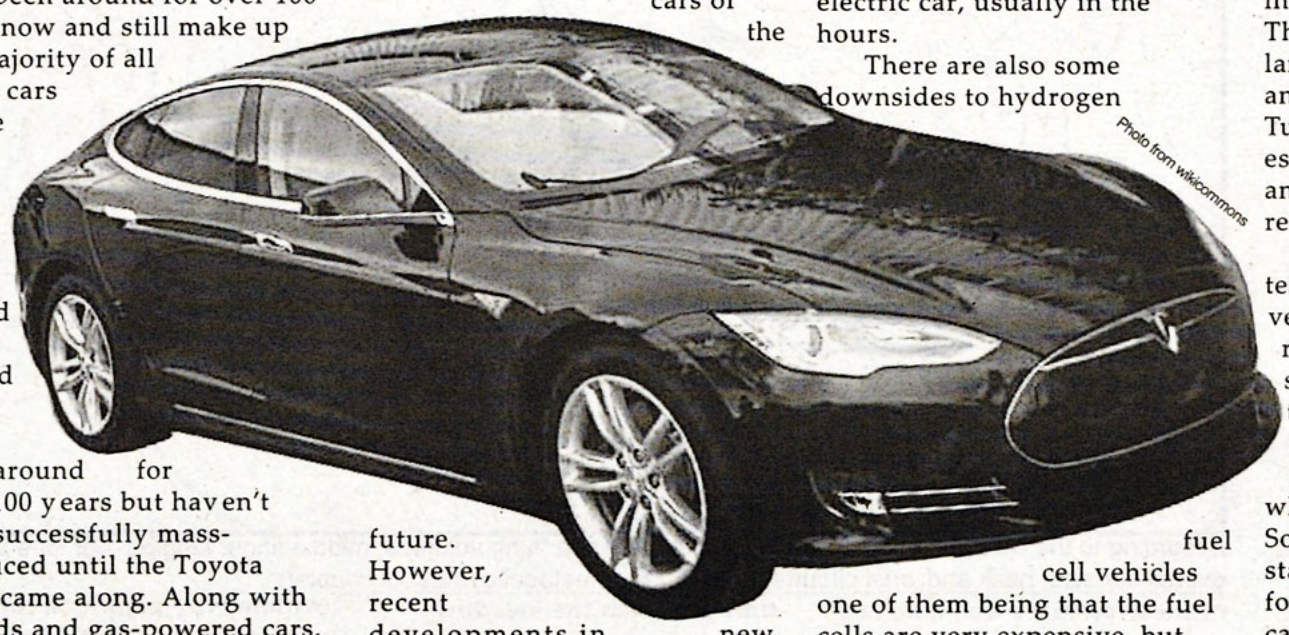
Everyone hears about electric cars all of the time and how they are the future of the way our cars are made. But could this actually be the case?

Gas powered cars, using Internal Combustion Engines, have been around for over 100 years now and still make up the majority of all of the cars on the road. As well as gas-powered cars, hybrid cars have been around for over 100 years but haven't been successfully mass-produced until the Toyota Prius came along. Along with hybrids and gas-powered cars, electric cars (or EV's) have been around for over 100 years but have become increasingly popular and demand has risen because they put out no emissions, and are better for the environment. One of the most popular electric cars produced today is the Tesla Model S, because of its design, styling, its ability to accelerate and handle like a sports car, and its 200+ mile range. These days, people are believing that electric cars are the best cars for the environment and believe therefore that they will be the cars of the future. However, recent developments in new technology has made it possible to build hydrogen fuel cell cars. One of the many benefits of hydrogen fuel cell cars is that the only emission is H2O or "water" because the car is driven by an electric motor, which is powered by the hydrogen fuel cells, which mix the hydrogen and air to make electricity. Hydrogen fuel cell cars also don't take as much time to fuel up like electric cars take a long time to charge up. They only take about 10 minutes to refuel, which, isn't bad compared to the amount of time it takes to recharge an electric car, usually in the hours.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There are also some downsides to hydrogen fuel cell vehicles one of them being that the fuel cells are very expensive, but are becoming more available and less expensive as time progresses. A new car just introduced, the Hyundai Tucson Fuel Cell is the first mass-produced hydrogen fuel cells to break into this market, and many more automakers are on Hyundai's tail. The Tucson Fuel Cell is going to be available at select Hyundai dealerships in California this coming spring. The Tucson Fuel Cell will be only available for a 36-month lease at $499 per month, with $2,999 due at lease signing, which could likely be covered by government incentives for electric vehicles. The lease also includes carpool lane access, free hydrogen gas, and free maintenance. The Tucson Fuel cell has an estimated range of 300 miles and only takes 10 minutes to refuel.

Many other automakers are testing their hydrogen fuel cell vehicles, but we won't see a big rise in these vehicles being sold anytime soon because of the cost and infrastructure changes required to have hydrogen fueling stations, which are mostly found in Southern California. As it stands right now, no one knows for sure that hydrogen fuel cell cars will be the killer of the plug in electric car, because you can find an outlet pretty much everywhere and along with advances in technology, the amount of time it takes to recharge an electric car is becoming smaller by the minute.

Net Neutrality is Going . . . Going . . . Gone

By Katrina Weicht
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Net Neutrality has come to an end as of Jan. 2014, but hope is not lost as open internet can make a recov ery.

The United State Court of Appeals made a decision on Jan. 14 regarding the Federal Communications Commission's effort to keep all internet service providers equal, with all online content having equal priority. The ruling in the Verizon versus Federal Communications Commission (FCC) case was in favor of Verizon, meaning that net neutrality is now dead.

In the past decade, the FCC hasn't treated broadband networks as a telecommunications service. Telecommunications are gov erned by principles that make all communications open and affordable for everyone as common carriers. In doing so, the FCC has slowly been losing authority over the open internet.

Verizon saw the w eakness and pointed out that the FCC shouldn't be able to ban broadband providers from blocking some sites or favoring others. Thus, Verizon versus FCC was brought to the US Court of Appeals.

Companies like Verizon, Time Warner Cable, AT&T and more will now be able to regulate and prioritize websites, making one load faster than the other. This opens a gateway for discrimination and more fees for users and websites. So a big name company with the money to afford priority will be able to pay the internet service provider for a high speed connection to its site, which would negatively impact the big name company's competitors.

"I'm outraged that they're allowed to do that," said Sophomore Kara Marino.

"It's going to mess with society because we're used to getting things at the top of our fingers," said Sophomore Courtney Harris.

Additionally, it means that the internet could be run in a similar fashion to cable: different prices for different packages, content is monitored and companies pay fees for delivering content to any users.

"Today the Internet is an information highway where anybody – no matter how large or small, how traditional or unconventional – has equal access," said Eric Schmidt, executive chairman of Google, back in 2006 in a Google letter on their Help Center.

"We've got to keep the internet open, we don't want to create a bunch of gateways that prevent somebody who doesn't have a lot of money but has a good idea from being able to start their next YouTube or their next Google on the internet," said President Barack Obama in an online interview in 2010.

SaveTheInternet.com has more information on Net Neutrality and urges people to sign the petition for the FCC to preserve the open internet by getting them to reclassify broadband networks as a telecommunications service.

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The Chemistry Behind Love andAttraction

By Shawnee Arnett
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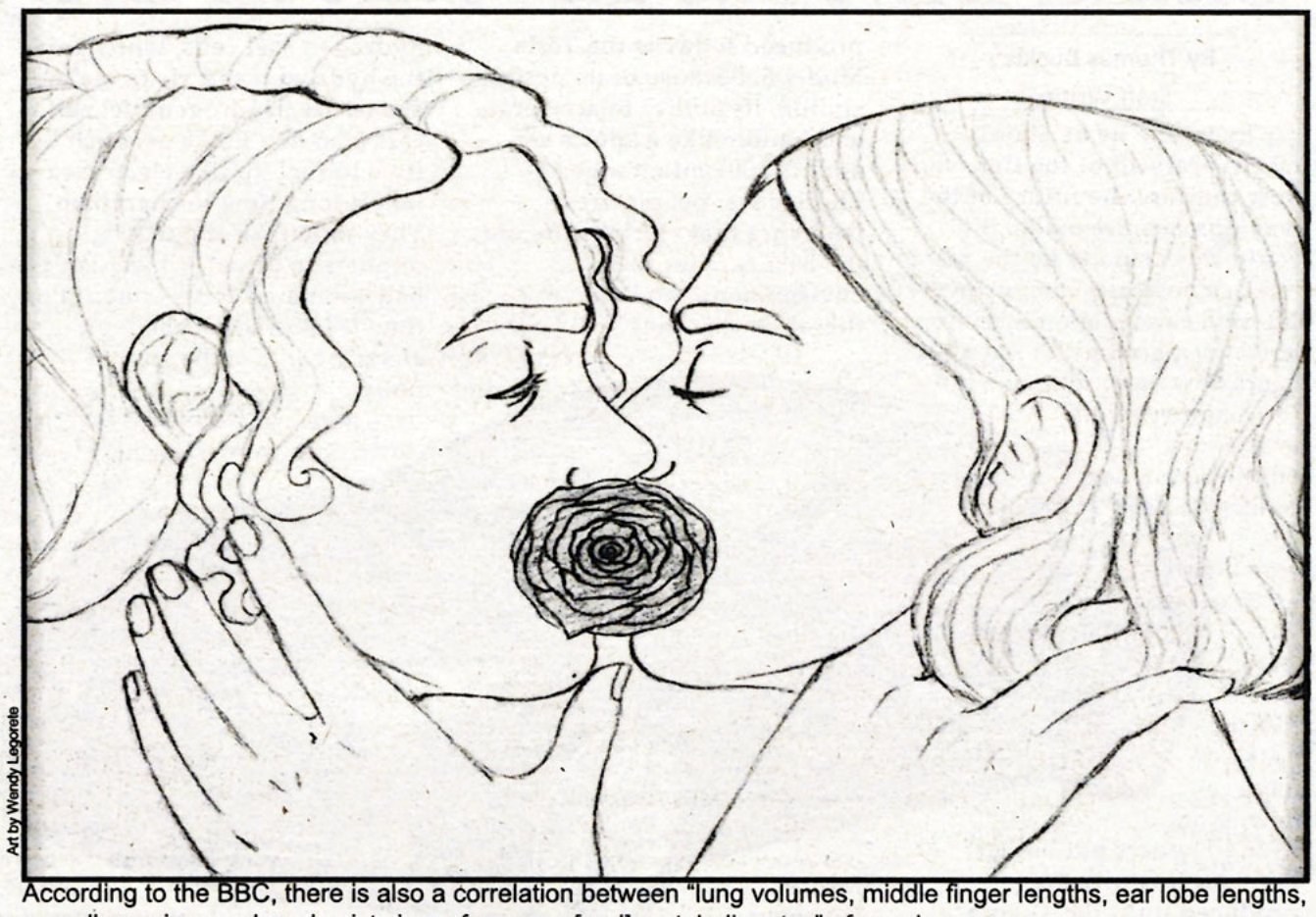

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Love is a subject that has fascinated people for ages and gives pop culture the juice it needs to keep the public interested. A children's movie depicting a princess falling for a prince she'd met just five minutes prior, a romantic comedy involving the seemingly unique adventures of a generic couple and the sixth wedding of a reality TV celebrity are all cultural events that make members of the public enamored with the idea of love. Even in the private sphere, the idea of love has its hold on people on a daily basis. Whether it involves daydreaming about frolicking in the meadows with a coworker, having the occasional evening away from the children with a spouse, or simply admiring an attractive person at a bar, love, lust and attraction are standards of human behavior. Many have come up with explanations for the existence of love over the years, which can range anywhere from "it was destiny" to "this person seemed to be agreeable;" however, many do not consider the physiological reasons for which people fall for one another. Actually, the initial reasons for attraction have nothing to do with finding "soul mates" at all. In reality, they are nothing more than the subconscious attempting to fulfill the biological urge to reproduce. Romantic, isn't it?

One of the first things that attracts one person to another is scent. No, this does not mean that an extra spritz of perfume or cologne will ensure dating success, so please put the spray bottle down. There's a significant possibility that humans take biological clues from other humans by way of pheromones, in a way similar to other mammals. According to the BBC, a 1995 experiment by the University of Bern in Switzerland had a group of women smell the unwashed T-shirts of various men. It was discovered "that women consistently preferred the smell of men whose immune systems were different from their own." This suggests that humans are subconsciously drawn to a partner who will ensure a more diverse, and therefore enduring, immune system for potential offspring.

A study at the University of Saint Andrews also found that humans generally tend to look for partners who look somewhat similar to themselves. Using a program that morphs faces, psychologist David Perrett showed heterosexual students a variety of pictures of human faces. One of these pictures was taken of the student and morphed into the opposite sex in a way that the student would not be able to recognize. Perrett found that a large percentage of these students tended to find the morphed versions of their own faces to be most attractive. According to the BBC, there is also a correlation between "lung volumes, middle finger lengths, ear lobe lengths, overall ear size, neck and wrist circumferences, [and] metabolic rates" of couples, which suggests that the body acknowledges its own characteristics as genetically successful, therefore seeking out partners who also have a high chance of being genetically successful.

According to Helen Fisher of Rutgers University, humans typically go through three phases when falling in love: lust, attraction and attachment. Each phase is accompanied by a set of hormones that work for the objective of reproduction between the two partners. The first phase, lust, is brought on by the hormones testosterone and oestrogen. Both hormones assist in finding a reproductive partner for a person and are generally meant to promote conception between both partners. Though testosterone is usually known as the male sex hormone and oestrogens (more commonly known as estrogen) are associated with women, females also produce a small amount of testosterone, which works with the estrogen in creating sexual desire.

The second phase, attraction, is thought of as the "love struck" phase. This is the time in which the meadow-frolicking daydreams come into play and when a person cannot stop thinking about his or her lover. The attraction phase is brought on by a group of monoamine neurotransmitters, specifically epinephrine (better known as adrenaline), dopamine and serotonin. Epinephrine is the body's stress response. It activates when a person in the attraction phase sees their object of desire, and is the culprit for dry mouth, fast heart rate and profuse sweating. Ironically, epinephrine is also responsible for a human's "fight or flight" response, which is activated when the person detects a threat. Dopamine triggers an emotional response and is responsible for the feeling of pleasure that a person experiences when thinking about his or her lover. The release of dopamine during the attraction phase works in the same way as when cocaine is used, which explains the intense level of adoration one feels in this phase.

According to Fisher, "couples often show the signs of surging dopamine: increased energy, less need for sleep or food, focused attention and exquisite delight in smallest details of this novel relationship."

The final neurotransmitter of this phase, serotonin, is one of the most important chemicals involved when a person falls in love. Serotonin is involved in stabilizing a person's mood. According to Fisher, when a person falls in love, serotonin levels drop to levels that are equivalent to people who suffer from Obsessive Compulsive Disorder. This may possibly explain why people in the attraction phase tend to think compulsively of their lovers.

The third phase, attachment, is the longer lasting commitment made by couples when the attraction phase has ended. If a couple makes it to attachment, the bonding experienced in this phase makes it more likely that a couple will stay together to raise children. The attachment phase is accompanied by oxytocin and vasopressin. Oxytocin, which is known as the "cuddle hormone," is released by both men and women during orgasm. It strengthens the bond between the couple, and it is theorized that the more sex a couple has, the deeper the bond between the two partners becomes. Oxytocin is also released by the mother during childbirth and aids in the production of breast milk, which promotes bonding between mother and child. Vasopressin is also released after sex, and works with the kidneys to control thirst. According to the BBC, it was theorized that vasopressin promotes bonding during an experiment in which a group of prairie voles (which have mating patterns similar to humans) were given a drug that suppresses the effects of vasopressin. For those that were given the drug, they immediately lost interest in their significant others. Because of this phenomenon, vasopressin is thought to be critical in promoting bonding between partners.

Thus, when falling in love, humans mate and bond similarly to a small North American rodent. With this, it is clear that romance is alive and well. Happy Valentine's Day.

Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day Festivites for Students

By Jocelyne Hilary
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The 14th of February is an important day in many couples' lives. This year Valentine's Day falls conveniently on a Friday. For some this is great news, as it gives them a nice weekend with opportunity to spend as much time as possible with their significant other. For others who dread this holiday, it makes Valentine's Day that much more daunting, especially if your friends and family have made plans to spend that time with their other half. However, **there is no enforced law that states that Valentine's Day is only restricted to couples** or even has to be about love. But, whether you're single or taken, there are heaps to do this weekend.

"I personally love Valentine's Day, it shows that you care and you're affectionate towards your partner," said Senior Martin Czerwien. "Usually you're always busy, and it's the one day you can kind of check off to do something. You share moments together."

As college students, there's no denying that whatever plans occur, they have to be somewhat cost-effective. One easy and wallet friendly idea is to simply rent a DVD from Redbox or iTunes or even browse on Netflix. Stay in, order some take out and call it a night. This idea is really wallet friendly as it requires minimum spending and you can either be alone with your boyfriend/girlfriend or have your other couple friends join you. Even if you're not dating anyone, you can just get a group of friends together and have a good time.

"Ah I love it! I do have a boyfriend and he is surprising me by choosing the place we are going to eat," said senior soccer player Ariana Foreman. "He has something else planned but I have no idea what it is. It shows not only that he cares but that he is taking the time out of his busy schedule just to do something extra nice."

If you don't want to stay on campus, going out to catch a movie in Wesley Chapel or Zephyrhills are options. "Endless Love," "Winter's Tale" and "Labor Day" are all new romantic films that fit the theme of the day perfectly. "That Awkward moment" could be the perfect mediator if compromising with your boyfriend/girlfriend seems impossible.

This can also be preceded or followed by dinner at one of the surrounding restaurants such as Chili's, Applebee's or Ruby Tuesday. Applebee's has half price appetizer offers and the 2 for $20 menu, which is a good deal for more than one person. If stretching your wallet is an option, Wiregrass mall has more choices, including 900 Pizza or sushi from Yamato Steak House or Bonsai. There is even the option of eating while being seated at the movie theatre. The dine in Cobb experience is perfect if you would rather stay in one place. There is a "Dine in with your Valentine" special going on from Feb. 14-16, with prices ranging from $9-$30.

If dinner and a movie is a bit too cliché, there are more exciting things to do. After all, Florida does offer several tourist destinations. This may require more legwork, but it is not impossible and is definitely worth it. If you want to stay in the local area, bowling is not too costly, and is more fun and interactive than simply watching a movie and eating out. It actually gives the chance to hang and talk and have fun. More excitingly, "Dade City Wild Things" is just around the corner from campus. This amazing place gives you the opportunity to go on a small safari tour and interact with the animals including tiger cubs! It is slightly pricier with a tag of just under $40 for the tour and interactions. Photos cannot be taken in the zoo, so the photo package requires an additional $24. Not only is this a great time to spend with your other half or friends, you get to interact with cute animals, and you're supporting a self-funded organization.

If you're not restricted to staying in the area, **Orlando is always packed with things to do.** Walt Disney World is currently having a promotion for Florida residents. For those who are out of state or international students, school IDs may be used. A 3-day theme park ticket is currently on offer for $129. Although this seems expensive considering, that typically a one day park ticket is $89-$99, this offer is a bargain for several days of activity. With Valentine's Day being on a Friday, this offer is convenient for the whole weekend.

There's a lot to do this upcoming weekend so this Valentine's Day can be better than ever. Whether the weekend is spent with friends, family or your other half, it most definitely can be enjoyed by all.

Roses: More Than Just Pretty

By Wendy Legorete
Distibution Editor

A flower is only as good as its petals, and when it comes to roses the saying is never truer. Rose petals, though appealing to the eye, are entirely edible and perfectly suited to include in any dish that is meant to be delicate, but also have a bite.

(Note: You can either buy fresh rose petals from a florist [a more expensive route] or if you own a rose bush you can harvest them yourself.)

Candied Rose Petals

Ingredients:
1 egg white
¼ cup of sugar (for dipping)
Handful of rose petals (use your best judgment)

1. Set a sheet of parchment paper (or wax or aluminum foil) out onto a clean surface (be sure to lay it in a place that will go undisturbed). Ready two separate bowls; one with the egg white and one with the sugar.
2. Using a pastry brush, begin coating rose petals with egg white (being sure to get both sides). Then, dip into sugar bowl.
3. Place dipped rose petals on to the parchment paper to dry.

(Note: Whenever considering consuming rose petals, always be sure to rinse thoroughly in the case of small bugs or pesticides.)

Rose Petal Jam

Ingredients:
2 cups of water
2 cups of rose petals
1 cup of sugar
The juice of 1 lemon

1. In a large saucepan, mix the water, sugar, and lemon juice together then bring to a boil.
2. Add the rose petals and continue to boil for five minutes.
3. When the mixture has thickened, pour into a glass jar and leave out to cool to room temperature. Then, place in the fridge for a few days to let set and thicken to desired consistency.

Rose Extract

(Note: Not for eating by itself. Use in dishes for flavor.)

Ingredients:
3 cups of rose petals
1 1/3 cup of vodka

1. In a glass jar, add 1 cup of rose petals into the vodka. Shake thoroughly to soak all petals. Let set in the cupboard for two weeks.
2. After two weeks, drain the liquid into a separate container and discard the old petals. Pour the liquid back into the original container and add another cup of rose petals. Repeat step one with the rest of the petals.
3. When extract is completed, store in a dark, cool place (like the cupboard) to be used for future recipes that call for it.

Rose Meringues

Ingredients:
2 egg whites
¼ teaspoon of cream of tartar
2/3 cup of white sugar
¼ cup of water
2 teaspoons rose extract
1/8 teaspoon salt

(Note: If you don't possess an electric mixer, it is recommended that you don't try this recipe. The egg whites will not form into peaks by mere manual labor.)

1. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper (or alternatives) and preheat oven to 250°F.
2. With an electric mixer and in a medium bowl, beat together cream of tartar and egg whites on high speed until stiff peaks form (it'd probably help to chill the bowl beforehand).
3. Pour the water, sugar, rose extract, and salt into a medium saucepan. Bring to a simmer over low heat, stirring constantly until the sugar dissolves. Continue to cook and stir for another two minutes, and then (slowly) pour into the egg white mixture, while beating constantly with the mixer on high speed (ask for assistance if needed). Beat until the mixture is stiff and shiny.
4. Spoon the mixture onto prepared baking sheet in little globules. Bake for an hour to an hour and thirty minutes; when time is up turn off the oven, and allow the meringues to cool inside the oven. When the oven rack is cool to the touch they're ready to enjoy.

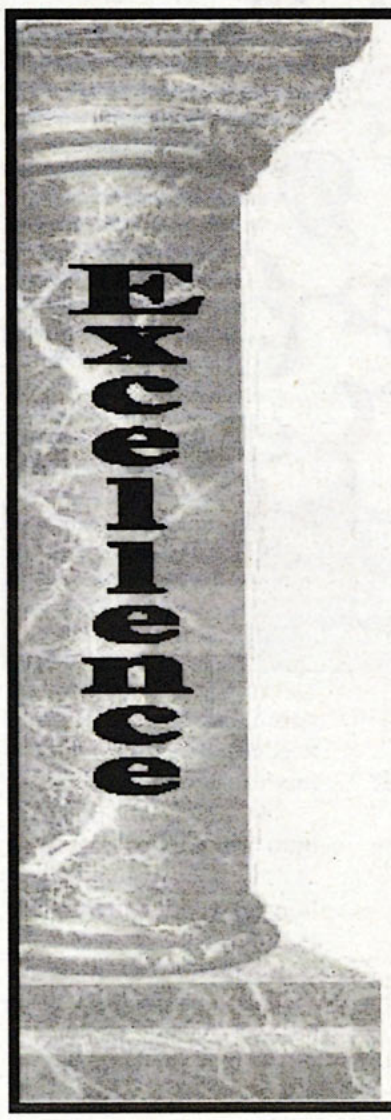
Art by Wendy Legorete

Campus News

Donations Collected

"Cadets L to R-Matthew Lemonis, Michael Patterson, Matthew Basin, Christopher Gonzalez, Travis Bush, Anthony Trick, Carols Perez, Robert Hickman, and Matthew Weidner stand behind the colltion boxes" - Kim Payne

Last semester, the University participated with Two Men and a Truck in the Movers for Military Donation Drive. It was a charity event that collected donations of clothing and other personal items for veterans and military families in need. With the Universities' help over 12,181 total items were collected. Cadets L to R- Matthew Lemonis, Michael Patterson, Matthew Basin, Christopher Gonzalez, Travis Bush, Anthony Trick, Carlos Perez, Robert Hickman, and Matthew Weidner stand behind the collection boxes in front of the "For Those Who Serve" statue. By Amber Comfrot



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Arts & Entertainment

Small, Simple, Sweet University Love Story

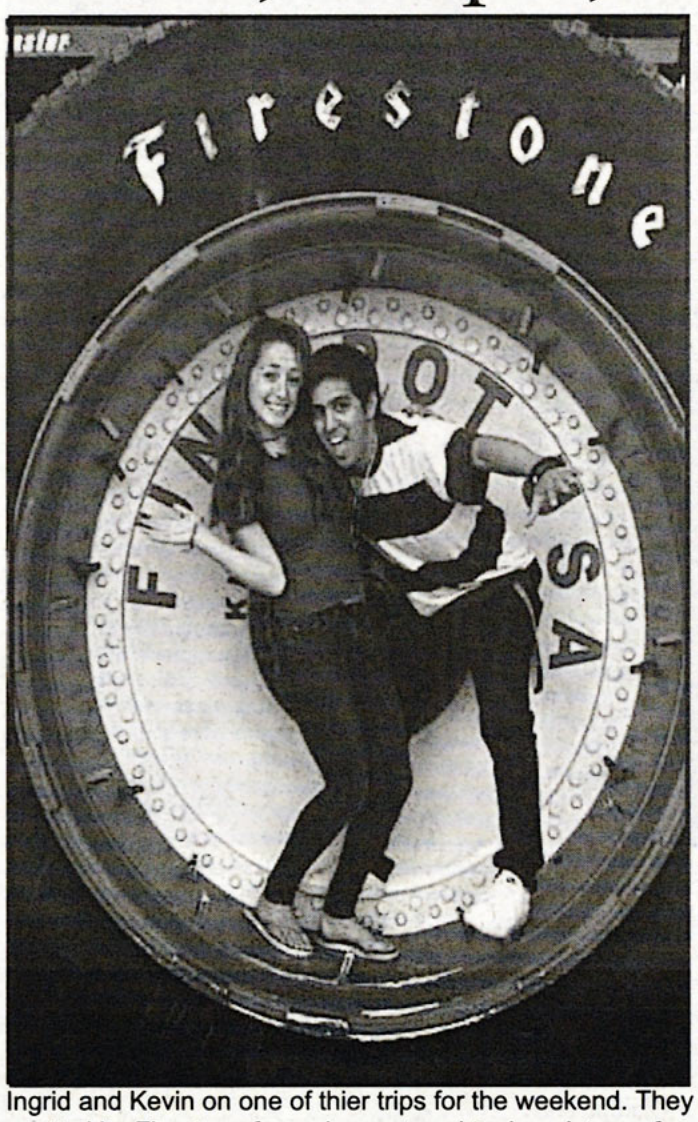

Photo from Dexomia Livia

Ingrid and Kevin on one of thier trips for the weekend. They spotted by Firestone from clermont and took a picture of this huge tire wheel. The Couple, as always, are very ha[y to share thier story with others and create unforgettable memories.

By Dexomia Livia
Staff Writer

It is amazing how someone can fall in love with the person he or she never even considered. This is the case of Ingrid Medina and Kevin Urbina who have been dating for more than a y ear. Neither thought that their friendship would turn into a beautiful and strong relationship.

HOW THEY MET

Medina met Urbina met during "Decision Day" hosted by the University for upcoming freshmen students.

"My best friend and I wanted to make friends, and then we saw him and decided to talk to him," said Medina.

After they were introduced, Medina thought Urbina was going to sit with them during the event. It did not happen. Urbina went to sit in the back of the auditorium.

"They just asked for my name and wanted me to sit with them," said Urbina.

WAS IT DESTINY?

During lunch, Medina and her best friend went to meet up with her parents. She saw that her parents were talking to some other parents. Surprisingly, those we Urbina's parents.

"So they met at the same time we met without anyone knowing," said Urbina.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS

As important as first impressions are, they are not always accurate. For example, Urbina had a poor first impression of Medina.

"This girl was so cocky! Honestly, I did not like her because she thought so much of herself. Like when I met her she said, 'we are from Washington, D.C.' I'm like [thinking]: so what?" said Urbina.

His view of her became more positive as he got to know her better.

Medina had a very different first impression of Urbina.

"I thought he was cute, that's why we talked to him, seriously, I was like Claire, best friend, let's talk to that kid, he is cute and Hispanic too." said Medina.

BEST MEMORIES

At first these lovebirds were just friends, but every moment they spent together fueled the development of a beautiful relationship. As a Bachata dancer, Urbina lov es his memories of dancing with his girlfriend.

"When we are dancing, there is a lot of excitement. It's fun!" said Urbina.

Medina's favorite memory was when she took him back to Washington D.C. and they went ice-skating.

"It was his first time," said Medina.

"I crashed into her!" said Urbina.

WHAT HOLDS THE GREATEST VALUE IN THEIR RELATIONSHIP?

As their relationship grows, Urbina values the company he has with his girlfriend. This couple has a fun and exciting relationship. They are best friends who tell each other everything, trust one another and create unforgettable memories.

"It's pretty much one soul in two bodies. Like if I need something, she will know what I want. And without even asking, she will already have it," said Urbina.

On the other hand, Medina likes how Urbina keeps her on task. She likes how he helps her make decisions so that she can make the right choices.

"If I'm doing something childish and I don't know that it's bad for me, he knows that it's bad for me," said Medina.

In this relationship, Urbina really likes how Medina is very patient because not so many people are patient with him.

"She knows how to handle me, she understands everything about me," said Urbina.

"That Awkward Moment" Created

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Feeling a trip to the movies? Then why not watch "That Awkward Moment?"

This Romantic comedy could be an option in loom of Valentine's Day. The movie is a typical Romantic Comedy, but instead of involving a group of girls in search of "the one," three guys troubled when it comes to women and relationships.

Starring Miles Teller, Michael B. Jordan and Zac Efron, the movie was geared towards a female audience. The film is a directorial debut from Tom Gormican, and although it is not a bad shot, it falls flat in some areas.

The movie takes viewers into the lives of three best friends named Jason (Zac Efron), Daniel (Miles Teller) and Mikey (Michael B.Jordan). Mikey is a doctor who is distraught to learn that his wife wants a break from their marriage, and as a result is forced to move in with his best friends. Seeing what relationships can do to a guy, they decide to make a pact in their so-called apartment the "Den of Testosterone" to no longer get emotionally attached to the opposite sex.

Although this seems pretty easy from a guy' s perspective, things get slightly complicated as Chelsea (Mackenzie Davis), the guys girl pal and wing lady, gets inv olved with Daniel and becomes his "sort-of" girlfriend. Further complicating the issue is Jason, who meets Ellie (Imogen Poots) and winds up being enchanted by her charm. Little do Daniel and Jason know that Mikey has also been sneaking around seeing his wife (Jessica Lucas).

Consequently two of the trio ends up where they didn't want to be: in agony constantly pining over their significant others. Embarrassed by their inability to stick to the their pact, the guys decided to hide their emotions from each other. The movie continues on with the guys trying to come to terms with their emotional break downs.

The movie is so dialogue based that at times it feels like there are three girls on screen rather than three guys in their mid-late twenties. Although the movie had its humorous moments, the trailers and publicity made it look much better than it actually is. The cast was young and talented but the film did not do them justice.

Surprisingly enough Jordan's performance stood out better than Efron's. This was unexpected given Efron's better performances in "Charlie St. Cloud" and "The Lucky One." Unfortunately it felt like the "High School Musical" star was pulled into this film to look pretty. Teller's performance was purely comic, he is definitely the main reason audiences are able to get through the mediocre romantic comedy.

The cast did have good chemistry, but it just had a certain ingredient missing, possibly the plot of the story or the fact that it was the director's film debut. It is definitely a movie that men would enjoy less than women as the film definitely portrays men in a different light to what audiences are used to. The movie is standard for its genre and didn't last too long, it was just over an hour and a half. So if watching guys pine like girls is your cup of tea, this film is for you.

Sports

Orlando Magic Game Attracts SLU Students

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Not one defender on the Piston's team could stop the offensive prowess of Victor Oladipo. Those watching from home will tell you about his unstoppable performance both in the paint and from the arc against the Detroit Pistons on Wednesday February 6th. How ever, the viewers at home could not describe to you about the powerful roar of an entire crowd of overzealous Magic fans. The Amway Center overflowed with noise as the Magic eased their way to another victory. The gigantic four screen TV's, the burgers and hotdogs, and cheerleaders collectively form this priceless experience. There is no better way to spend five dollars and one Wednesday afternoon than to go see the Magic play ball at the Amway Center.

Every time Orlando Magic tickets go on sale, Saint Leo students are being offered an entertaining five to six hours that begins with the silliness of the short bus rides to and from the game. The bulk of entertainment is at the Amway Center in which one enjoys seats that are only about ten to fifteen rows from the actual court. Stephanie Lawson, freshman at Saint Leo stated that her first NBA game was "An amazing experience." Joshua Bartholomew, another Saint Leo freshman, remarks that the jazz band that showed during halftime, "made me feel like home because it gave off the same vibe as if I were in New Orleans."

Even those who do not like basketball or do not understand the sport could come and enjoy just being in this electrifying arena. Every dunk made by the Magic seemed to spark a great jolt of energy into the crowd that always resulted in aggressive cheering and yelling. After a fun night of exciting cheering, Saint Leo student Robert Watson says that he knows he will wake up the next morning with a sore throat. This is because the intensity of this arena is incomparable.

The starting of the game saw the Orlando Magic with a fiery start, gaining the first five points with a layup shot and a three pointer from their three point man, Arron Afflalo, assisted by point guard Jameer Nelson. But the Magic's smooth flowing play from the first quarter quickly died down as the Detroit Pistons started to gain steam with the efforts of point guard Brandon Jennings. With his 9 points and three assists they were forced to play catch-up, eventually ending the first quarter in a tie at 26 points each.

Though both teams played well, the highlight of the game came from Glen "Big Baby" Davis, the Orlando Magic's power forward, who led the first quarter in rebounds and steals, which had many Magic fans excited.

Photo taken by Damoi Williams

Amway arena where the team played.

In the second quarter the Orlando Magic really went to work showing who the dominant teams were with star performances from their rookie point guard Victor Oladipo and power forward Kyle O'Quinn, which pushed the Magic to a double digit lead, finishing the first half with an astounding 57 points, towards the Pistons' 43.

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